

ABSTRACT

A method and system to enter a time out interval in a storage area network includes identifying a time slot in a sequence of time slots to insert a time out event for the event in the storage area network, determining if other events in the storage network already have corresponding other time out events in the same time slot and inserting the time out event for the event in the identified time slot along with the other time out events and the other corresponding events. Monitoring time out intervals for the events includes receiving a request to determine if events in the storage area network have timed out, identifying events associated with a current time slot, determining if the identified current time slot is empty, removing events from the identified current time slot in response to the determination and notifying a time-out handler to perform appropriate time-out related processing.